

## Announcements

### *International Society of Nephrology*

Any elected member of a national society of nephrology is eligible for membership in the International Society of Nephrology and receipt of the Society's official Journal, *Kidney International*. A subscription to *Kidney International* (including all Supplements) for calendar year 1978 is included in the annual 1978 dues of US \$48.00. Potential new members can secure application forms for membership by writing directly to Dr. Neal S. Bricker, Treasurer, International Society of Nephrology, Department of Medicine, University of Miami School of Medicine, Box 875, Biscayne Annex, Miami, Florida 33152, U.S.A. The completed application form should be returned to Dr. Bricker along with a check or money order for the first year's (1978) annual dues of US \$48.00 (checks should be made payable to the International Society of Nephrology; checks from outside the U.S.A. can be paid through any New York or Miami bank).

### *Continuity of Subscription to Kidney International*

It is of the utmost importance for 1977 members of the International Society of Nephrology to remit their 1978 dues (US \$48.00) immediately to the office of the Treasurer. Otherwise, continuity of subscription to *Kidney International* during 1978 cannot be assured.

### *Officers of National Societies of Nephrology*

The *Secretary-General* of the *International Society of Nephrology* would be grateful if the present officers of National Societies of Nephrology would contact him as soon as possible with the names of the chief officers of their National Society of Nephrology. This information should be sent immediately to Dr. John Moorhead, Department of Nephrology, The Royal Free Hospital, Hampstead NW3 20G, England.

### *Meetings*

The *VII International Congress of Nephrology* will be held June 18–23, 1978, in Montreal, Canada. Preliminary plans call for an opening ceremony on Sunday afternoon, June 18th; the first plenary session on Monday morning, June 19th; 624 free communications; 12–15 large symposia; 12 workshops; and a plenary session on the morning of June 23rd. The Organizing Committee includes Guy Lemieux (President), John Dirks, (Vice-President), Jean Guy

Mongeau (Treasurer), and Michael Bergeron (Secretary-General).

The *Fifth Scientific Meeting of the International Society of Hypertension* will be held in Paris on June 12–14, 1978. Main topics will include hormones and blood pressure, the nervous system and hypertension, transmitters and receptors in hypertension, and hypertension care. The President is Prof. Paul Milliez, and Chairman of the Local Organizing Scientific Committee is Prof. Phillippe Meyer. For further information write Congress Service, 1, rue Jules Lefebvre, F 75009 Paris, France.

The *Ninth Annual Postgraduate Seminar on Nephrology*, under the sponsorship of the *Council on the Kidney in Cardiovascular Disease of the American Heart Association*, will be held in St. Louis, Missouri, on April 2–4, 1978. The seminar will be devoted to "Alterations in Bone and Mineral Metabolism in Chronic Renal Disease" (Program Director: Mabel L. Purkerson, M.D.). For further information write: Administrator, Postgraduate Programs, American Heart Association, 7320 Greenville Avenue, Dallas, Texas 75231, U.S.A.

A first *International Kidney Transplant Course* will be held in Barcelona, Spain, on April 24–26, 1978, under the conjoint sponsorship of the Department of Urology, The Renal Transplant Unit, and The Department of Immunology of the "Hospital Clinico y Provincial." Program Directors are Prof. Gil-Vernet and Drs. Caralps and Vives. For further information write: Dr. J. Masramon, Department of Urology, C/Casanova 143, Barcelona, Spain.

The *First International Symposium on Peritoneal Dialysis* will be held in Chapala, Jalisco, Mexico, on June 25–28, 1978. The Scientific Committee includes: Drs. S. T. Boen (Netherlands), F. K. Curtis, Karl D. Nolph and Arthur Gordon (U.S.A.), Natale G. DeSanto (Italy), Emilio Exaire M. (Mexico), and Jorge Firmat (Argentina). For further information write Dr. Alejandro Trevino Becerra, President of the Organizing Committee, Villalongin 152, Mexico 5, D.F. Mexico.

The annual meeting of the *American Society of Pediatric Nephrology* will be held in the Murray Hill Suite of the New York Hilton Hotel on Tuesday, April 25, 1978. The annual symposium will be on "Recent Advances in Immunologic Renal Disease." For further information, please contact Dr. John Lewy, Secretary-Treasurer, American Society of